

Remarks/Arguments

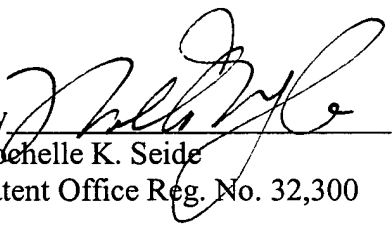
A Preliminary Amendment is filed herein to amend the specification in correspondence with the claim for priority to the Great Britain Application No. 0106082.1 filed March 13, 2001 and International Application PCT/GB02/01142 filed March 13, 2002.

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-26 have canceled. New claims 27-42 have been added, which are supported by disclosure throughout the specification of International Application PCT/GB02/01142, and in claims 1-26 as originally filed therein. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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